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ONE PENNY.

ANGLING.

SIX o'clock. We have done a hard day's work, each of us, and the moon-stream is firing work. It is no use making a toll of a pleasure, so let us put up our rods and seek our quarters again. But before we make a start we will overhaul the proceeds of our day's sport. So; nearly eight dozen between us—about five dozen to my rod, and three to yours; a fair take, though it might have been mended. To-morrow if we fished over the same water we should do less execution, and the day after still less, and so on till, if it set in hot, we might probably return with "a room creel"—*Angled*, an empty basket. The burn rivers, however, are generally good fishing for two or three days after Bellingham; we may have a "crack" piscatorial as we go.

I mentioned before what effect the new drainage has had in producing sudden floods. It has also resulted in their rapid clearing away. Formerly the land-water settled down gradually, and the river was in good fishing condition for three or four days, but now a much less period is sufficient for the water thus produced in the duration of their sport; and certainly, to anglers who have to come some distance to the scene of action, the change is important, as the spot. Apart from floods, remember that the North Tyne is, in several places, a dangerous river to wade for strangers. It has many quicksands, which also, from time to time, shift their position. The worst of them, according to my experience, are in the neighbourhood of Clupchase, and it is any

to admit his claim to having based his work on the practice of years. This is quite apparent in every page. The fish our author treats of are—pike, perch, trout, grayling, carp, tench, barbel, chub, bream, roach, dace, and gudgeon. This is very pleasantly done, the anecdotes and descriptions interspersed with the instruction being of the most refreshing character. It is easy to trace the enthusiastic fisherman in every page of the work. We venture to strongly recommend the neat little book to the notice of our readers.

AQUATICS.

PICTURES FOR THE WEEK.

May 10—Royal Mersey Yacht Club; opening trip.
May 10—Smith and Storey, to row on the Tyne, £25 a side.
May 10—Royal Thames Yacht Club; opening trip.
May 10—Prince of Wales Yacht Club; 2nd and 3rd class yachts.
May 10—Royal Thames Yacht Club—Opening trip, Blackwall, 1 p.m.
May 14—Phoenix Rowing Club Four-oared Scull Races; River Lea.
May 15—Norfolk and Suffolk Yacht Club; opening trip.
May 16—The D. O. Rowing Club; scullers' race, Putney to Hammersmith.
May 17—London Rowing Club—Belfour pairs.
May 17—North London Rowing Club—Fours, Putney to Hammersmith.
May 17—Ariel Rowing Club—Pair-oared gigs.
May 17—Corsair Rowing Club—Fours.
May 17—Queen's Printers' Boat Club; pair-oared race, Hammersmith.
May 17—Nautilus Rowing Club; pair-oared, Putney to Hammersmith.

LONDON ROWING CLUB.

"THE LAYTON FOURS."—The much and deservedly respected president of the London Rowing Club gave his annual address to the members for which were three crews who put in an appearance for the first heat; but Mr. Patterson, who was "stroked," and had for his coxswain Messrs. May, Lucas, and Farley, won after a gallant struggle, Mr. Hodgson and his pals striving hard, but only securing second honours. In the second heat Mr. Stout—"and stout he was, and stout by nature"—as the sequel proved, came in first easily; efficiently "tug of war" in the final heat. From first to last Mr. Stout's crew was superior, and eventually they won as they liked. Mr. C. E. Jones, the coxswain, at a little adding to the easy victory by his excellent steering. At Mrs. Baker's, the Star and Garter, at Putney, in the evening, there was the "least of reason and flow of soul." The fair sex assembled with the victors and vanquished, to smile on the one, or cheer the other; and it is not necessary to say more but that a pleasant and happy meeting was passed.

THE BELFOUR PAIRS.

Gentlemen desirous of contending for these annual prizes are reminded that on Saturday, the 17th inst., the races will take place. Various pairs are already in active training, and more than usual interest is attached to the result, as there is now blood infused, and more than one are "peculiarly sweet" upon their powers.

NAUTILUS ROWING CLUB.

This, like the above, is a "gentlemen's" club, and rowed their four-oared race on Saturday. Mr. D. Richardson, as the coxswain, pioneered the way from Putney to Hammersmith, his brother, Mr. C. Dickens being the stroke, Messrs. Shenton, Cruikett, and Richardson, pulling "for dear life," and securing the victory.

PHENIX ROWING CLUB.

"Another and another" gentlemen's contest, but this time a "pair-oared gig race." Messrs. Harris and Carpenter in scarlet and black, although they made a bad start, dashed along despite of disadvantages, and gallantly made up for the little confound at getting off; and, by the time they got to Barnes, the course being from Putney to the former place, they were game winners. Messrs. Collins and Catling, although defeated, were not disgraced.

BOAT RACING ON THE TYNE.

HASLEBURY AT DUNSTON.—The village of Dunston, the seat of the Jewitts (boatbuilders), and the retreat of the London rowers who come down north, was on the alert on Saturday afternoon to witness the trial heats for Mr. Jewitt's boat handicap. There were 25 acceptances, ranging from Teasdale Wilson, at the scratch, to William Buxton, who received 7 lengths start. The boats used were built by Jewitt. Mr. T. Jewitt, a black-capper, Mr. Ralph Cavent commodore, and Mr. Jewitt starter. The heats resulted as follows:—First heat: R. Charlton, Dunston, 3 lengths; 1, J. Gillard, Gateshead, 5, 2, R. Denham, Dunston. Second heat: A. Hopper, Dunston, 3, 1; M. Henderson, Gateshead, 5, 2. Third heat: J. Stevenson, Dunston, 6, 1; J. Adams, Newcastle, 6, 2; R. Storke, Dunston, 6, Fourth heat: W. Buxton, Dunston, 7, walked over. Fifth heat: R. Frank, Dunston, 5, 1; L. Brewer, Gateshead, 5, 2; R. W. Baines, Haydon, 5, 3. Sixth heat: E. Clarke, Swallowell, 5, 1; J. Straker, Gateshead, 5, 6. Seventh heat: Teasdale Wilson, Swallowell, and R. Hale, Dunston, 4, pulled a dead heat; W. Patterson, Newcastle, 24, was third. Eighth heat: T. Ellis, Dunston, 6, 1; M. Head, Swallowell, 3, 9; Ninth heat: J. Boyd, Gateshead, 2, 1; W. Masters, Gateshead, 3, 2; J. Gillpatrick, Swallowell, 4, 6. Tenth heat: A. Thompson, Swallowell, 2, 1; J. Taylor, Newcastle, 2, 6. The heats were well contested.

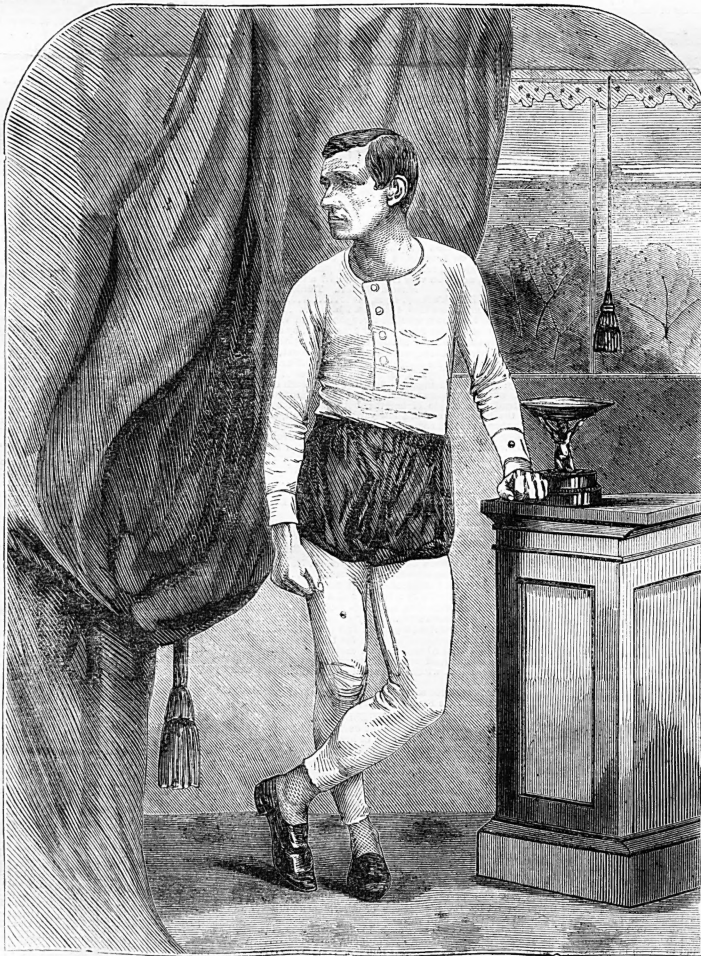
WEST LONDON ROWING CLUB.

ONE PAIRS.—The race in gig-pairs between members of the West London Rowing Club, for prizes presented by the club, took place on Monday and Tuesday, from Putney Aqueduct to Hammersmith Bridge. The preliminary heats were rowed on Monday as follows:—
First Heat.
Middlesex Station, Messrs. A. R. Pitt, G. Kerridge, J. Bostwick (cox) 1
Surry Station, Messrs. G. L. Daniels, E. Howard, E. Brookes (cox) 2
A level start was effected, but Mr. Daniels having missed the water, Pitt and his partner went right away, and won very easily.

Second Heat.
Messrs. C. Collins, A. B. Houseman, J. Cockerell (cox) 1
Messrs. F. W. Bryant, G. West, G. Pauley (cox) 2
Messrs. T. N. Telford, J. Drake, B. Dyer (cox) 3
The first two pairs got away well together, and rowed scull and scull to the Crab Tree, where Houseman and Collins drew away, and came in first by about three lengths. The winners of the previous heats rowed from Putney to Hammersmith Bridge, on Tuesday, as follows:—

FINAL HEAT.

Messrs. C. Collins, A. B. Houseman, J. Cockerell (cox) 1
Messrs. A. R. Pitt, G. Kerridge, J. Bostwick (cox) 2
The winners had the best start at Putney Bridge, and went away with a slight lead. After rowing a few yards the second boat nearly came level, and held their adversaries for a dozen pulls, then the winners went gradually away, and won by four or five lengths.



PORTRAIT OF BRIGHTON.

(From a Photograph by George Newbold, Strand.)

THE ANGLER'S INSTRUCTOR.*

THIS elegant little work emanates from the pen of Mr. William Bailey, of Nottingham, and is one of the most finished specimens of instructive piscatorial literature we have ever met with. In his preface the author distinctly asserts that he has not written with any pretension to "a pleasing and attractive style," being "no scholar, and a plain, blunt man;" we beg to tell him, however, that although he may not have had any pretensions to write pleasingly and attractively, he has succeeded in doing so to a miracle. It is lucky for him that he did not pretend to anything beyond his own plainness and bluntness, for therein lies the very charm of his work. We should be glad to learn what has more attraction than a plain, blunt manner when it clothes genuine instruction. Mr. Bailey is no framer of theories, and it is just to him

* "The Angler's Instructor." By W. Bailey, of Nottingham. London; Longman and Co.

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METROPOLITAN.

Two weeks has been marked by four new pieces: a splendid burlesque, "Punch and Judy," illustrated, Mr. E. Lloyd, who has been playing "The Triumph of the artist was complete, and the artist by a number of calls before his truly beautiful pictures. A farce at the STRAND, from the pen of Mr. Wooler, only moderately successful; and a comedy and farce at SADLER'S WILLS; the first by Captain Horton Rhys, the latter by Smyth Lee, both well acted and entirely successful. Business at all the houses has been miserable, and is not likely to improve until the shilling days commence at the International Exhibition.

PROVINCIAL

MANCHESTER.

THEATRE ROYAL—Mr. C. Mathews' engagement terminated on Saturday last. On Monday Mr. John Brougham made his appearance in "Playing with Fire." The other pieces have been "The Irish Lion," "His Last Legs," &c. The business has been very far from good.

QUEEN'S THEATRE—The Florences have been drawing crowded houses during the three first nights of the week, when they made their last appearance prior to sailing for America (to-day). Mr. Calvert reappeared last night, and his engagement terminates this week. On Thursday there was an amateur performance in aid of the Widows and Orphans Fund of the National Union.

pendent Order of Odd Fellows, Salford district,
BIRMINGHAM.

THEATRE ROYAL—Mr. Swinbourn, the popular histrionic *artiste*, commences a six nights' engagement on Monday in "Hamlet," followed by a series of representations in the same walk of the drama. Miss Cleveland took her benefit on Friday. Mr. Swinbourn's benefit, and last performance, took place on Saturday last.

NEW THEATRE.—Mr. James Bennett terminates his very successful engagement this week. He has appeared in "Macbeth," "Hamlet," "Richelieu," "Belphegor," and "Louis XI," with deserved applause. The burlesque of the "Colleen Bawn," is repeated every night. Mr. J. Bennett takes his benefit on Friday (this evening), and we sincerely hope he will have a bumper.

HOLDER'S CONCEIT HALL.—The talented company engaged for Easter holidays, repeat their performances with continued success. Arthur Lloyd, the celebrated comic vocalist, the Brothers Ray, and Dunoni and his pupils are especial favourites.

LIVERPOOL.

ROYAL AMPHITHEATRE.—The "Green Bushes" was revived here on Monday evening, with Madame Celeste in her great part of *Miami*; Mr. John Rous-

made a capital *Miser Grinnidge*; *Connor O'Kennedy* was played with great feeling by Mr. J. C. Cowper; the other parts were creditably performed by Messrs. Neville, Appleby, and Dentish (the latter gentleman being quite at home in *Jack Gong*), Miss Addison, and Mrs. Power.

menaced a short engagement at this house on Monday, and made their first appearance as the two *Dromios* in the "Comedy of Errors," which, with "Lu-

ROYAL ADELPHI THEATRE.—"Jack Sheppard," always a favourite here, was played on last Saturday evening and again on Monday evening to first-rate houses. Mr. Dentish appearing to great advantage as the *Young Housebreaker* Mr. Henry Vandenhoff playing *Joe Blenkins* to perfection. "Jenny Versa

ROYAL COLOSSEUM THEATRE.—"Hamlet" was played here on Tuesday.

vening to an excellent house. *Hamlet* was exceedingly well played by Mr. Vernon, as was also *Ophelia*, by Miss Bellair. The bill of fare during the week consisted of "The Lone House on the Bridge," "Paul the Poacher," "Charcoal Burner," &c.

THEATRE ROYAL.—The Paine and Harrison Company appeared here on

Monday evening in "The Lily of Killarney," and were most successful.

THEATRE ROYAL.—Lessee and Manager, Mr. James Rodgers.—After a very successful run the pantomime of "Jack the Giant Killer" was withdrawn on Saturday evening last. On Monday night "Pauline" and the burlesque of "Eily O'Connor" were performed. The drama was in every respect well acted, the characters sustained by Mr. John Windley and Mrs. James Rodgers being

excellently delineated. The burlesque was also a great success. Mr. Robson made a great "hit" in the part of *Edie*, while Miss Griffiths, Mrs. Windley, M.

Wybert Housby is engaged for a few nights, and will shortly appear.

HOWES AND CUSHING'S CIRCUS.—This famed equestrian troupe are announced to appear next week. Howen will be the great attraction.

MUSIC HALL.—Sam Cowell will give two concerts on the nights of the 30th

and 31st instant.

SWANSEA.

SOUTH WALES CONCERT HALL.—(Proprietor Mr. H. Butler.)—Mr. Martino, also Miss Maria Martino, commenced an engagement for twelve nights, an act with great success. Mr. W. C. Sellers, a rather clever Irish delineator, has been among the *habitués* of the hall, with his Hibernian eccentricities, and Young Butler has a large collection of comic songs, which he sings with much

We must also mention Mr. Stanmore as pianist, who is highly efficient. The room, which has been newly decorated, is filled to repletion every

BRADFORD.
THEATRE ROYAL.—The plans are now preparing for the erection of a stone edifice on the site of the present wooden temple of the muses.
St. George's Hall.—Mr. Walter Messersmith, architect, has been selected to design a new hall, which is to be erected on the site of the present hall, and is to be known as the new hall.

ST. GEORGE'S HALL—Mr. Walter Montgomery, a clever actor, recited Shakespeare's "Macbeth" to a large and appreciative audience on Monday. Locke

PERKIN MUSIC SALOON.—Mr. Samson Boleno nightly goes through some Herculean feats of strength which makes the unsophisticated tremble for his safety. Messrs. Levi and Campbell, niggers, present a budget of eccentricities.

which are rather stale. Miss Simpson is a fair serio-comic vocalist, and Mr. Fred North gives some telling comic songs. The Messrs. Lord are excel-

THEATRE ROYAL.—On Friday next, May 16, this theatre will be opened when an amateur performance is announced to take place, it being the Newcombe testimonial night. We have no doubt the worthy manager will be

BUCKLAND MUSIC HALL.—This place of amusement is well filled every even

ing. The company consists of Miss Norton, characteristic and serio-comic singer; Miss M. Elliott, ballad vocalist; Mr. Walker, English and Irish comic singer; Mr. Frankland, a favourite tenor, and Mr. Fly, cornet-à-piston player; Mr. Swanner presides at the piano. These artists are all first-class, especially Mr. Walker and Miss Norton, whose collection of songs bring down

Mr. Fly is also worth a visit, his playing on the corn being exquisite.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—Mr. David H. Jones, tragedian of the Theatre Royal, read Shakspeare's "Hamlet" to a large audience. He was well received and applauded, this being his first appearance as a reader on any platform. Mr. Jones will read another of Shakspeare's works on Monday next.

CRICKET.—THE ALL ENGLAND ELEVEN.—Capt. Stephenson and his little band from Australia arrived at Suez on Monday. They were expected

reach Alexandria on or about Sunday last, the 4th, would arrive at Marseilles about Monday next, the 12th, and get to London on the 15th inst., at the latest. On May 15 they will be welcomed at the Surrey Club Annual Cricket Dinner, which is to take place at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, and their reception will assuredly be worthy the occasion. The following evening, Es-

day, May 16, the public welcome to them at Weston's Music Hall will take place, and on the evening of May 27, the second day of the Summer

match, and on the evening of July 27, the second will play the Surrey & YORKSHIRE team, in which match eight of the Eleven will play. Mr. F. Hill, host of the Oval Tavern, will entertain the whole of the team to dinner in his newly-erected dining saloon, and there can be no doubt that their reception will be as hearty as enthusiastic, and as warm as any that has greeted them in their celebrated London district, in the last seven months.

celebrated travels during the last seven months,

SHOOTING

HORNSEY WOOD.

On Friday and Saturday last the volunteers attended in strong force, and shot for prizes and sweepstakes, also for classes, at 200, 250, and 300 yards range, under the command of Captain Warner, Field, Walters, and others. The shooting was altogether very good.

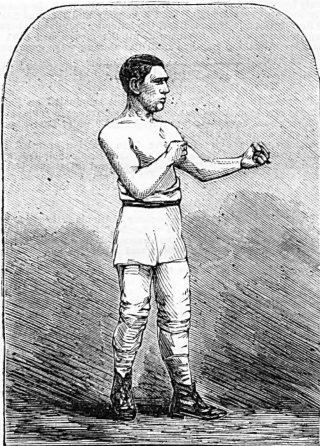
The aristocratic club was strongly represented at the pigeon grounds on Saturday, when nine handicap sweepstakes were shot. The score annexed speaks volumes for the class of bird-barber produced for the occasion. The weather was all that could be desired. The first and second sweepstakes were won by Mr. Cunningham; the third and fourth by the Hon. G. H. Heathcote; the fifth and sixth by Lord Holmesdale; the seventh and eighth by Mr. Heathcote; and the ninth by Colonel the Hon. H. Annesley. It will be seen that several gentlemen tied for some of the sweepstakes; in the sixth Lord Holmesdale and Colonel Annesley had to shoot no less than six rounds before it was decided. The figures preceding each name denote the number of yards' rise. In the second and third sweepstakes the winner was put back a yard. After that the losers went in a yard. Score:—

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
27 Mr. Cunningham...	110-0-0	11-1	1100	0	0
27 Lord Holmesdale...	110-0	110-0	100	10	111
28 Sir H. Campbell...	110-0	0	10	0	0
30 Hon. G. Heathcote...	110-0	101-0	101	11	111
30 Col. Annesley...	110-0	0	101	10	110
27 Mr. Thompson...	0	0	10	0	0
27 Mr. Arabin...	0	0	0	10	110
28 Mr. Egerton...	0	0	0	10	110
Lord Holmesdale...	111-1	11111	110	0	0
Mr. Heathcote...	0	0	11111	11	100
Col. Annesley...	111-1	111110	0	0	101
Mr. Egerton...	0	10	0	0	100

On Monday, May 5, several good rifle and pigeon matches took place. Among the former, Messrs. Boyce, Annandale, Ross, and Burton, were the principal winners; and among the pigeon shooters the following sweepstakes of 1 sov each took place:—

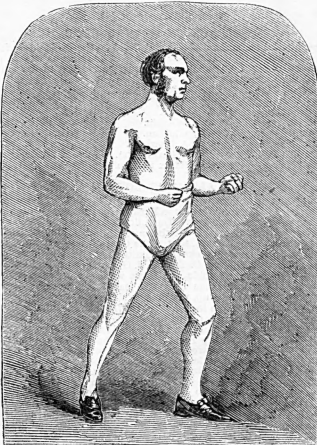
Messrs. Boyce, Spencer, Horton, and Villiers shot three sweeps of 1 sov each—five pigeons, 25 yds rise, five traps, 14oz shot, both barrels; the enclosure boundary. Score:—

Mr. Boyce...	1101	1101	1101	1101	1101
Mr. Spencer...	1010	1010	1101	1010	1010
Mr. Horton...	1001	1001	1101	1001	1010
Mr. Villiers...	1101	1001	1010	1010	1100



MICKY GANNON.

(From a Photograph by G. Bonner of Farringdon-street.)



HOWARD, OF BRADFORD, THE CELEBRATED LEAPER.

(From a Photograph by George Newbold.)

Messrs. Mason and Boyce shot for 5 sovs each, seven pigeons each. Same terms as sweep. Score:—

Mr. Mason	1101011
Mr. Boyce	0110100

FIRST SPRING EXHIBITION PIGEON HANDICAP.

A SWEEPSTAKE of 5 sovs each, 1 ft. for Peers. Members of Parliament, White's, Brooks's, Boodle's, Aubrey's, Guards, Carlton, Travellers, Arlington, and Pratt's Clubs, and officers in the army on full pay. Guns of 11-bore, or less, 14 oz. of shot, No. 5, 6, or 7. Gentlemen to be at liberty to put in any quantity of shot, half a yard being added to their distance for every 1 of shot. All to load from the same bowls. Cartridges for breech-loading guns to be shown to the handicapper. No wire cartridges allowed. Barber to find birds and pull. The trap to be settled by the dice. Six or seven birds each, according to acceptances. All disputes to be settled by the handicapper, Frank Heathcote, Esq., 12, Belgrave-square, and his decision to be final. Post entrances after the publication of the card, 5 sovs and no forfeit. The shooting takes place on Monday, May 19, at three o'clock, and the entry closes on Tuesday next, after which there will be no forfeit.

CITY GROUNDS, BRADFORD.

DONALD and ROBSON.—Mr. Holden has now £20 a side on account of a match between Joe Donald, of Whitehaven, and Joseph Robson, of Blayden, to shoot at 100 birds for £100 a side. Donald to use 2 oz. of shot, whilst Robson can use his own quantity; 21 yds rise, 30 fall. The men to shoot at 50 birds each day, and the first day's shooting to take place at the City Grounds, Bradford, Manchester, the second day at the Copenhagen Grounds.

EAST HANTS GROUNDS, PORTSMOUTH.

The champion cup, value 25 6s., for the best pigeon shot residing within forty miles of the East Hants Ground, 10s. each, seven birds each, pigeons free, misses to stand out, will be shot for at the above ground on Thursday, May 15; twenty to shoot or the cup will be given; the winner to give 1 sov to the fund. Single guns exceeding ten bore, 24 yds; all other single and double guns exceeding eleven bore, 25 yds; double under eleven bore, 21 yds; fourteen and all under, 18 yds; limited to 14 oz. of shot; three traps; 30 yds boundary; the gun to be held in a sportsmanlike manner.

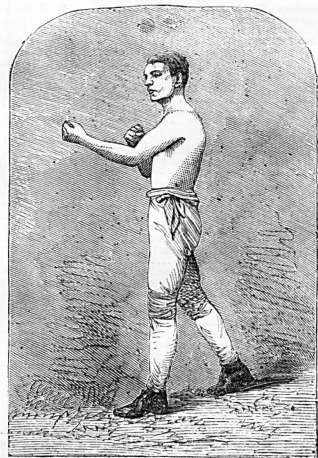
W. SUMM, of Kilwick, will shoot a match with Donald, of Whitehaven, or Stead, of Ashton, for £100 or £200 a side, at 100 pigeons, 50 each day, with 14 oz. of shot, to come off in three weeks at Sheffield. The Copenhagen or the New City Grounds, Bradford, Manchester. By sending articles and a deposit to James Holden, White Lion, Long Millgate, Manchester, a match can be made.

SWIMMING.

CHAMPION SWIMMING MATCH AT ST. GEORGE'S BATH, PIMLICO.

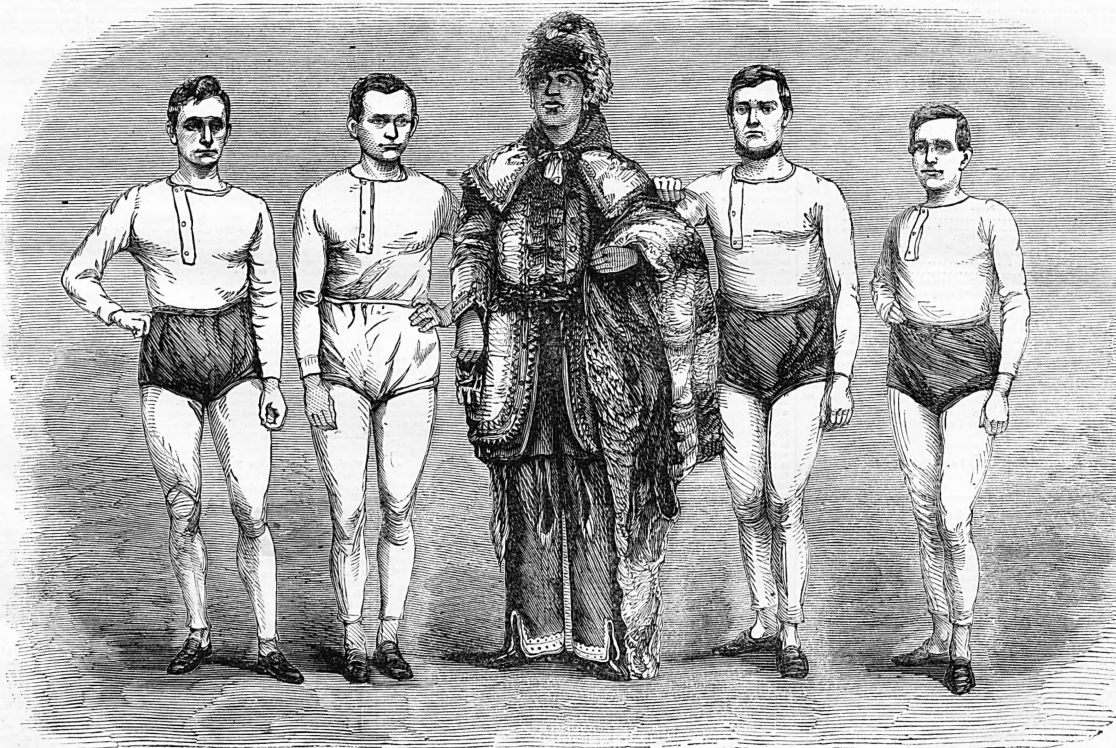
In our last we gave the particulars of the contests in the art of swimming exhibited at the matches contested lately at Pimlico, in aid of the Champion Cup, about to be purchased and offered for competition. In this number we give an illustration of one of the matches—that for the Herard Champion Challenge Prize, consisting of three handsome cups; distance, 400 yds. The sketch was taken at the moment Williams, the winner, put on his great spurt, and went away from Boyce, leaving Payton third. The match was a most excellent one, and in it Williams exhibited so much skill as to induce a gentleman to issue a challenge, which will be found in our columns, to back him for £100 to swim any lad his own age. He is a good and promising swimmer, and will not disappoint those who put confidence in his skill and prowess.

ALEX SWIMMING CLUB.—The annual general meeting of this club, which now numbers amongst its hundred and thirty members representatives of nearly every amateur rowing club of the river, was held at Kelley's last week. A satisfactory report was presented by its late indefatigable secretary, showing that the club had fully carried out the object with which it was started—that of promoting swimming among the various boating communities of the metropolis. To this end upwards of twenty valuable prizes had been distributed last year, and it may be fairly expected not only that an even greater number will be given this season but that the entries for different races will be more numerous. It was decided that three cups should be contested for at Mortlake, on June 14; the distance to be half a mile (with tide); and the race open to all but the winners of the river prizes last year. The race for the captainship (three prizes) will take place over a longer course in the same locality, on July 28. A third race, for three prizes, open to all who have never won a swimming prize, will be fixed for August; distance half a mile (with tide). The officers for this year will be—President, C. Isles, Esq.; committee, Messrs. Spink, F. Playford, Brant, Hopton, Plater, Ellinger, and C. Dickens. Captains respectively of the Alex. London, West London, Arzel, St. James's, Corsair, and Nautilus Rowing Clubs; Messrs. H. H. Playford, Harvey, R. Ferner, Midwinter, Wright, Westall, and Holman. Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. P. Davis, es. Marl-bone. The following new members were elected:—Messrs. R. Bull, F. McGedy, Hood, Hodgson, and G. F. Sandover. A vote of thanks to Mr. W. E. Harvey, and the able officers of last year, concluded the proceedings.



JESSE HATTON.

(From a Photograph by Symonds, Isle of Wight.)



E. MILLS.

J. BRIGHTON.

DEERFOOT.

W. LANG.

S. BAKER.

The five celebrated pedestrians who appeared before H.R.H. the Prince of Wales at Cambridge, December 4th, 1861.

(From a Photograph by W. Nichols, of Cambridge.)

CRICKET.

FIXTURES FOR THE WEEK.

May 10, Victoria Park—Poplar v. Central Alliance.
May 10, Shacklewell—Excelsior v. Felix (first eleven).
May 10, Shacklewell—Felix v. Excelsior (second eleven).
May 10, Victoria Park—Finsbury v. Aldersbury Star.
May 10, Halifax—Bradford Old (second eleven) v. Halifax Trinity.
May 10, Victoria Park—Addington v. St. Vedast.
May 10, Perseverance, the First Five v. the Next Eleven (return).
May 10, Vincent-square—House of Commons v. Westminster.
May 10, Peckham—East Surrey v. Provincials.
May 12, Oval—12 of Surrey Club v. 11 Colts with a professional Captain.
May 12, 13, Cambridge—Old v. Present Cantabs.
May 14, Cambridge—Old v. Present Quiddances.
May 15, Glasgow—v. Twenty-two of Clydesdale Club.
May 15, Cambridge—M.C.C. and Ground v. University of Cambridge.
May 15, 16, 17, Oval—Eleven Colts of Sussex v. Colts of Surrey.
May 17, Lords—King's College v. University Hall.
May 17, Highbury—Clerkenwell v. Ped-Annateurs.
May 17, Victoria Park—Albion (V.P.) v. Perseverance.
May 17, Victoria Park—Addington v. Clarendon.
May 17, Holloway—Blackheath Montpelier v. Tavistock.
May 17, Victoria Park—New Commercial v. City United.

X. Y. Z. v. FIRST ELEVEN OF KING'S COLLEGE.

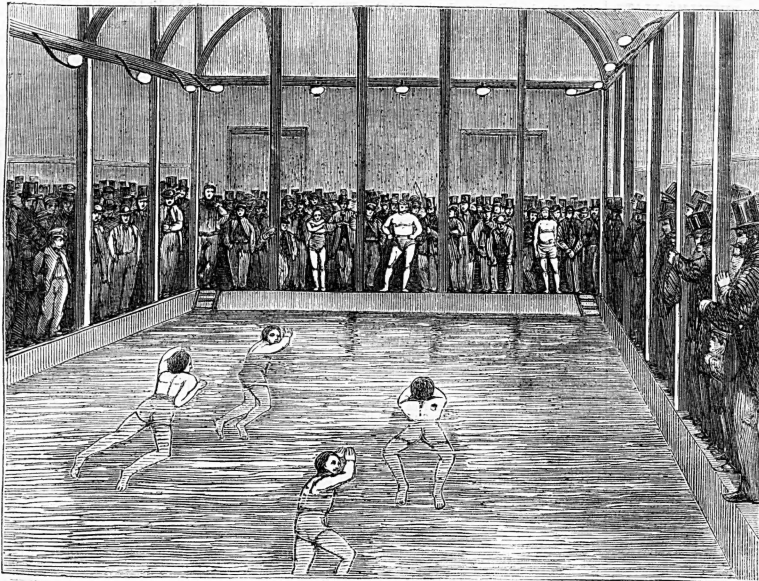
This match was played at Lord's on Saturday, and resulted in a decisive victory for X. Y. Z.'s by 36 runs. The batting on the part of the victors was extremely good, particularly that of Mr. Lochner and Mr. J. Ditchburn, who also proved himself a good bowler. The bowling was the weak point of the match. Score—

X. Y. Z.	KING'S COLLEGE.
W. Ditchburn, b Hopson.....	0
Evans, b Ashtun.....	2
Hemmings, c Saiton, b Hopson.....	2
Lochner, not out.....	30
Hammond, b Hopson.....	21
J. Ditchburn, b Hopson.....	21
Field, c Hensley, b Hopson.....	0
Chambers, c Hensley, b O'Neill.....	0
Cresswell, b O'Neill.....	0
Preston, b Hopson.....	0
Robertson, run out.....	0
b 11, b 4, w 24.....	21
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OLD v. PRESENT RUGBEANS.

On Thursday and Friday last, May 1 and 2, the annual trio of matches between the First, Second, and Third Elevens of Old and Present Rugbeans were played. The Old R's mustered in strong cricketing force. The "Present" won all three of the matches very cleverly, and their trainer, Diver, of Cambridge, was highly complimented on the perfection to which he had brought the boys. The weather was charming; the ground in splendid condition; the wickets superb; the attendance large, fashionable, and influential; and the results of the matches as under—

OLD.	PRESENT.
H. V. Ellis, Esq., 1 b w b Rutter.....	21
T. Case, Esq., c Martin b Buchanan.....	49
G. Owen, Esq., c Smith b Buchanan.....	3
R. E. Cooper, Esq., hit wkt b Evans.....	46
C. Marshall, Esq., b Buchanan.....	29
G. Robertson, Esq., b Buchanan.....	16
T. Hood, Esq., Ellis b Buchanan.....	16
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THE GREAT CHAMPION SWIMMING MATCH AT ST. GEORGE'S BATH, PIMLICO.

(From a Sketch by our own Artist.)

OLD RUGBEANS.	PRESENT RUGBEANS.
1st Inn.	2nd Inn.
F. Lee, Esq., c Marshall, b Hood.....	24
F. H. R. Smith, Esq., c Robertson, b Owen.....	23
D. Buchanan, Esq., c Cooper, b Owen.....	7
W. Byles, Esq., b Owen.....	0
S. Linton, Esq., c Marshall, b Owen.....	8
M. T. Martin, Esq., b Hood.....	23
E. H. Ellis, Esq., c Murray, b Hood.....	24
Rev. A. Pickard, run out.....	9
F. R. Evans, Esq., c Robertson, b Owen.....	19
E. Rutter, Esq., c Cooper, b Owen.....	1
J. W. Dawson, Esq., not out.....	8
b 3, 1 b 4, w 1.....	8
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The Present won in one innings by 34 runs. On the same days, at the same place, and with the same results, the Second and Third Elevens of Old and Present Rugbeans played matches—

THE SECOND ELEVENS.	THE THIRD ELEVENS.
Old Rugbeans, 1 Inn, 84; 2nd Inn, 65.....	Total 149
Present Rugbeans, 1 Inn, 32; 2nd Inn, 123.....	Total 215
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Old Rugbeans, 1st Inn, 141; 2nd Inn, 109.....	Total 250
Present Rugbeans, 1st Inn, 195; 2nd Inn, (with only two down), 54.....	Total 249
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The members of the Marylebone Club, one of the most famous in the metropolis, held their anniversary dinner on Wednesday in the splendid pavilion at Lord's Ground. The chair was taken by the president, the Earl of Spencer at half-past seven. The attendance was extremely large, and the evening passed away in the most delightful manner. From these diners strangers

are excluded, consequently a ballot took place at a quarter past seven in order to allow new members to dine if they desired to do so.

STAMFORD-HILL CLUB.—At the Anchor, Chesham, on Friday last, the members of the Stamford-hill Club celebrated their annual dinner with great *résumé*. Mr. N. H. Stephenson presided, and Mr. W. A. Fordham occupied the position of vice on the occasion. We noticed the presence of many members of the London Dramatic Club, who a short time since gave a performance at Sadler's Wells Theatre, in aid of the funds of the Stamford-hill Club, with much success, an account of which was given in the *LITERARY GAZETTE*. News. The usual loyal and patriotic toasts were given and responded to, and the hon. secretary, Mr. R. N. Frost, stated that the prospects of the club were most promising, and that the number of members gave much satisfaction. The evening passed most pleasantly. On Saturday the opening match was played at Page's Ground, Tufnell Park, where the members exhibited the interest they took in the club by assembling in large numbers. The play was spirited, and the day all that could be desired.

THE STANDARD CLUB.—The members of this fine club played their opening match on Peckham-rye on Saturday last. This ground has been kept in truly fine condition, and the result was some excellent play. Several important matches are pending, and good play may be anticipated during the season. The conclusion of the play on Saturday the members of this club adjourned to the club-house, Ealing-road, Peckham-rye, and spent a pleasant evening.

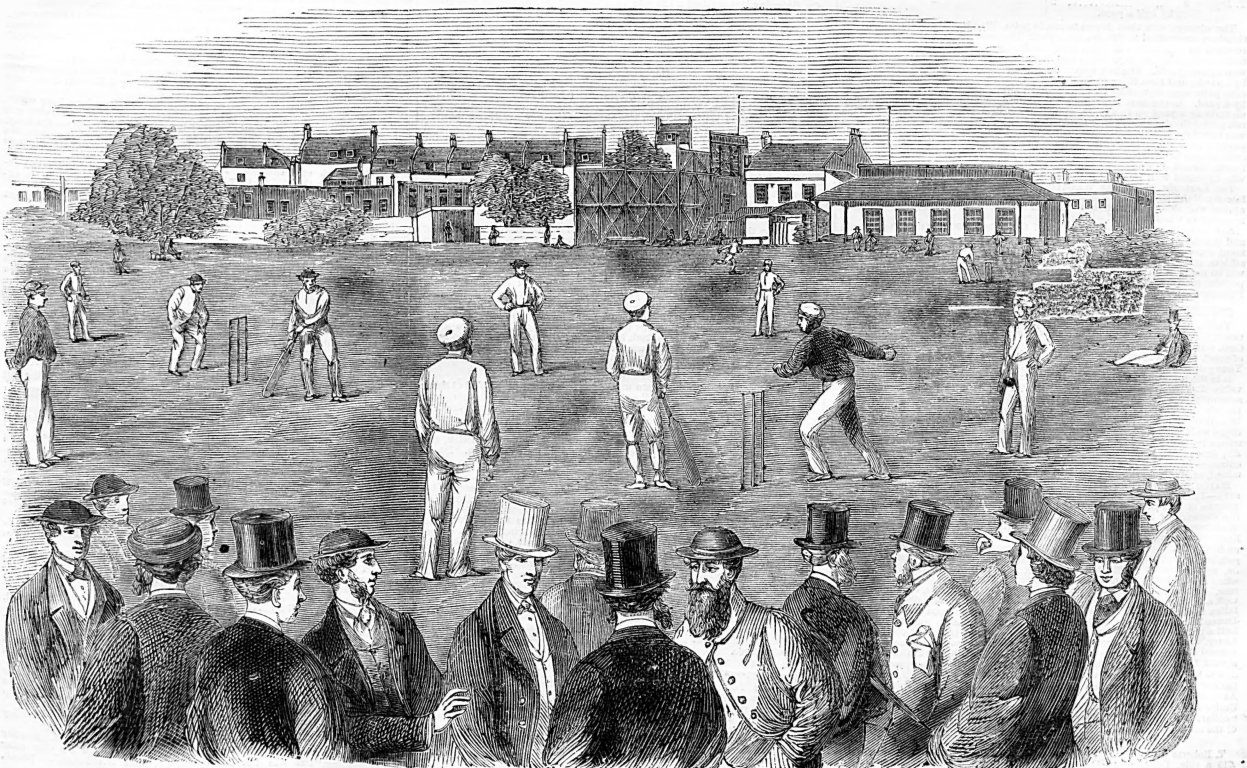
SOUTH LONDON UNITED CLUB.—This popular club played its opening match at the South London Ground, Lower Kennington, on Monday, under the rays of such a sun as we only anticipate in the month of July. Sides were chosen from the members, and in spite of the intensity of the heat the members of the South London contrived to exhibit some good play. The ground could scarcely be in better order.

PLYMOUTH CRICKET CLUB.—This club held its first meeting on Saturday last; the ground was in excellent condition, and the play good. Twenty-eight new members were elected, and about twelve more proposed. Newham, of Newark, is again the professional bowler, and appears to give much satisfaction, being a good steady bowler.

IMPORTANT TO CRICKETERS.—George Clarke, of Hackney Wick, can always be heard of at Mr. J. C. Baum's, White Lion, Hackney Wick (Victoria Park station), where all cricket officials can avail themselves, if he is not pre-engaged, of his services as bowler and umpire. He has entered into an engagement as umpire for the New Commercial Club for the current season.

SCARF CRICKET CLUB HOUSE, KENSINGTON OVAL.—On Tuesday Mr. Hill, the proprietor of these grounds, entertained a select few for the purpose of marking the alterations and improvements with which the present season has opened at his grounds. About eight o'clock the guests assembled. Mr. W. Barrup occupied the chair, and Mr. Harris, of the Equestrian Tavern, Blackfriars-road, did the useful in the vice-chair. "The prosperity of the club," and "The health of the worthy landlord," were the principal toasts of the evening, followed by many others of a complimentary character; and songs and speeches, uttered by gentlemen of no mean capacity, rendered the entertainment one beyond the average degree of excellence.

METROPOLITAN CLUB (L DIVISION) OF METROPOLITAN POLICE.—The members of the above club played their opening match of the season on Tuesday, at the South London Ground, Lower Kennington-lane. Sides were chosen by Messrs. Bald and Barrett. Both sides showed some excellent cricket, and the game was spiritedly contested. Sergeant Bald's underhand "peculiar" was very effective, and mainly contributed to the victory, which was decided on the first innings in favour of his side by 50 runs. Messrs. Palmer and Shaw also bowled well. Messrs. Coxhead, Lee, Fenimore, and Holton distinguished themselves with the "Leger" with 33, gained in good style. Messrs. Barrett, Fenimore, and Edwards were the bowlers. The day was beautifully fine, and the spectators numerous—attracted, no doubt, by the lively strains of the band of the L. Division, which, under the able conductorship of Sergeant Horton, performed some of the most popular airs of the day. Mr. Superintendent Beckerson and family were on the ground; also several inspectors. In the L Division Mr. Superintendent Beckerson is highly esteemed, he being the first to establish a cricket club in the force.



OPENING OF THE SURREY CRICKET GROUND, KENNINGTON OVAL.

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